

18 November 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Status of Career Staff Membership Relative to Veterans  
Preference Act

25X1A 1. Pursuant to the memorandum to this office from the Special Assistant to the Deputy Director (Administration) dated 12 November 1954 concerning the above subject, the matter has been discussed in some detail with Mr. [REDACTED]. It was indicated to Mr. [REDACTED] that it might be highly desirable to get a definite ruling either from the Civil Service Commission or from the Attorney General. If the ruling were unfavorable, it might be appropriate to consider legislative proposals in this area in connection with our 1955 legislative program. Certainly it was indicated that if we wished to develop different competitive levels based on career staff membership, we were in an indefensible position in view of FM 20-110-2, paragraph 3c.(6). Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he had some advice to the effect that possibly it was not appropriate to secure a ruling from the Commission at this time. However, [REDACTED] said he would look into the matter further based on the considerations summarized above. In fact, a compromise was suggested along the lines of simply getting a more firm expression of Commission views, short of a formal ruling. 25X1A

2. The matter will be left for AD/P to handle.

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